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Filed:	September 18, 2003	)	Group Art Unit:	1635
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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

- 1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
  - a. Amendment and Response to Office Action; and
  - b. Return Receipt Postcard.
- 2. With respect to additional fees:
- 3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No.13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.10: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service under Express Mail Label No.: EV596660235US in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 2nd day of August 2005.

Date: August 2, 2005

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# AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed on May 27, 2005, Applicant hereby submits Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter the amendments and consider the remarks submitted herewith. It is believed that no fee is due in connection with this filing; however, if a fee is due the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the pending claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks are on page 6 of this paper.

**Conclusion** is on page 8 of this paper.